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(KMOV.com) -- A group of fed up citizens are suing Republic Services, owner of the Bridgeton landfill.

They say the smell that has been prevalent for months has gotten worse and is affecting them physically.

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources tested the air for 30 days. The results found hydrogen sulfide in the air. Hydrogen sulfide can lead to headache, trouble breathing, and eye, nose and throat irritation.

According to the Department of Health and Senior Services, there's enough of the gas in the air to take action and keep monitoring the air in the area.

A spokesperson for the landfill says the persistent smell isn't coming from the gas and went as far as saying there's no proof the hydrogen sulfide found in the air is coming from the Bridgeton landfill.

Bryan sehie/environmental specialist, republic services

"We cannot prove it's coming from the landfill right now," said Bryan Sehie, Environmental Specialist for Republic Services. "The instruments they were using are actually not capable of testing the level to 100 percent accuracy that they reported."

Republic Services says they are working on eliminating the odor and don't want their workers or residents in the area to have to deal with it.

The lawsuit filed Tuesday will now put the issue in the hands of the court.